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1. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE EMBASSY'S PROPOSALS FOR GRANTS TO BE
AWARDED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE BICENTENNIAL PARTNERSHIPS
PROJECT:

2. A GRANT OF \$20,000 TO BE UTILIZED DURING FY-76 TO AID IN THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KOSCIUSZKO MEMORIAL LIBRARY AT THE AMERICAN
STUDIES CENTER CURRENTLY BEING SET UP AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY.
WARSAW UNIVERSITY, IN ITS INITIAL AGREEMENT WITH INDIANA UNIVERSITY,
HAS AGREED TO SUPPLY SPACE AT THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS FOR THE
LIBRARY AND TWO OF THE THREE WARSAW UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEMBERS
BEING ASSIGNED TO THE AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER WILL BE SPECIFICALLY
ASSIGNED TO IST LIBRARY. THE EMBASSY HAS COMMITTED GOE SUPPORT
TO THE LIBRARY AND CU RESOURCES ARE ALSO COMMITTED AND BEING
UTILIZED IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ASC. THE EMBASSY WILL BE
REQUESTING FURTHER ICS ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF THE ASC LIBRARY. INITIAL EXPENSES IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
GOOD, UNIVERSITY-LEVEL, AMERICAN STUDIES COLLECTION ARE EXPECTED TO
BE HEAVY AND A GRANT OF THIS NATURE IS NEEDED IN THE INITIAL
YEARS TO RAPIDLY DEVELOP AN ADEQUATE COLLECTION FOR USE IN CONNECTION
WITH THE SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES OF ASC.

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3. A GRANT OF \$10,000 TO BE UTILIZED DURING FY-76 IN SUPPORT OF THE SERIES OF LECTURES AND PROGRAMS TO BE CONDUCTED AT THE AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY UNDER THE THEME, "THE AMERICANS." SEE POST CP FOR FY-76 BICENTENNIAL PROGRAM, PAGE 48. LOCAL EXPENSES, INCLUDING LECTURE FACILITIES, HONORARIUM, AND HOTEL COSTS, FOR THIS SERIES OF ACTIVITIES, WILL BE COVERED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW. GOE AND CU RESOURCES WILL ALSO BE USED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POST CP, ON THIS PROJECT. PARTNERSHIP FUNDING WOULD ENABLE THE AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER TO UNDERTAKE AN EFFECTIVE PROGRAM DURING THE INITIAL YEAR OF IST EXISTENCE. AND THERBY CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO IST ABILITY TO ESTABLISH ITSELF RAPIDLY AS A MEANINGFUL CENTER OF ACTIVITY ON THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY CAMPUS.

4. A GRANT OF \$25,000 TO THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES FOR SPONORSHIP OF AN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. GRANT FUNDS WOULD BE UTILIZED DURING FY-76 BOTH TO BRING DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN AND THIRD-COUNTRY SCHOLARS TO THIS SYMPOSIUM AND TO ALLOW THREE DISTINGUISHED POLISH SCHOLARS TO PARTICIPATE IN SIMILAR BICENTENNIAL SYMPOSIUMS IN THE U.S. THE NORTH AMERICAN STUDIES COMMITTEE IN THE INSTITUTE OF HISTORY OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCE IS CURRENTLY AT WORK ON A 12-VOLUME HISTORY OF THE U.S. THIS GRANT WOULD GREATLY FACILITATE THE TYPE OF SCHOLARLY CONTACT AND CONSULTATION THEY NEED IN THEIR CURRENT PROJECT. MONEYS FROM THE GRANT WOULD BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCE LOCAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE COSTS OF THE SYMPOSIUM AND THE PUBLICATION OF REPORTS AND PAPERS DELIVERED AND FOR TRAVEL GRANTS TO AMERICAN AND THIRD-COUNTRY PARTICIPANTS.

5. THE EMBASSY WILL BE CONSULTING WITH THE ICS AMERICAN STUDIES STAFF FOR GUIDANCE AND ADVICE CONCERNING BOTH THESE PROPOSALS AND THE OPERATION OF THE AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER.
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